

Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19 While Participating in the City of Tempe's Adopt a Street Program

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and spreads mainly from person-to-person contact. Possible symptoms of COVID-19, according to the Centers for Disease Control, include but is not limited to: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. Older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions might be at a higher risk for severe illness or death from COVID-19. As a result, the City of Tempe has followed federal and Arizona health agency guidelines which mandate or recommend, at minimum, people maintain six feet distance between unrelated persons when in public, wear cloth masks when in public, and stay home when sick or have a body temperature at or over 100.4 degrees, frequently wash hands with soap and clean water and/ or utilize hand sanitizer and refrain from touching the face. Governments have also limited or prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

The City of Tempe has created new protocols and enforces preventative measures at city facilities to reduce the spread of COVID-19, such as healthy sanitation of city facilities, checking employee temperatures in city facilities, and providing masks and hand sanitizer at building entrances. Implementing and enforcing preventive measures, however, cannot guarantee that you, your child(ren), or members of your group or organization will not be exposed to or become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending or participating in the Adopt a Street Program as well as any City event, program, activity, reservation, rental, or facility, may increase your or your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

Acknowledgement of COVID-19 Risk. I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I, my child(ren), or members of my group or organization may be exposed to, or infected by COVID-19 by participating in, utilizing, or attending the Adopt a Street Program and any related or associated City event, program, activity, reservation, rental, or facility and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I acknowledge that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at a higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at any City event, program, activity, reservation, rental, or facility related to or associated with the Adopt a Street Program may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, City officials, employees, volunteers, and other program participants, attendees, users, and their families.

Waiver. I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to myself, my child(ren) or members of my group or organization, including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or they may experience or incur in connection with participation, attendance, or use of a City facility, event, program, activity, reservation, or rental related to or associated with the Adopt a Path Program. I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the City, its officials, employees, agents, and representatives, of and from any claim that may arise from or in connection with my, my child(ren) or members of my group or organization's participation in, attendance, or use of a City facility, event, program, activity, reservation or rental related to or associated with the Adopt a Path Program, including claims related to COVID-19. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the City, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection or case occurs before, during, or after participation in, or attendance at or in the Adopt a Path Program and any City facility, event, program, activity, reservation or rental.

Compliance with COVID-19 Protections. While participating in, utilizing, or attending any City facility, event, program, activity, reservation or rental related or associated with the Adopt a Path Program, I agree that I, my children or members of my group or organization will fully comply with the City of Tempe's recommendations to: maintain six feet distance between unrelated persons when in public, wear cloth masks or face coverings when in public, wash hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and clean water and/or utilize hand sanitizer, refrain from touching the face, refrain from participating or cease continued participation if sick or experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms like cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting and diarrhea or have a body temperature at or over 100.4 degrees or chills, and where possible, refrain from close contact congregating in groups of people.

Participant's Name	Parent or Guardian Name if Participant is under 18
Signature of Participant	Date
(Parent or Guardian if Participant is under 18)	

For further information, go to the City of Tempe website and see the City Manager Standards for Reopening at https://www.tempe.gov/government/communication-and-media-relations/coronavirus-covid19/reopening